

THE BAPTIST.

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Hillman College Commencement.

It has gotten to be so common to speak of such things as "the best" that we sometimes get weary and incredulous, but only superlatives suit the subject. Certainly there has not been so good a year in my acquaintance with the school. I never saw girls stay as well, behave as well and seem to have worked so well. The number in the boarding department grew till the close in spite of measles, the like of which our whole town never saw. It is the universal verdict that it has been the most orderly lot of girls for many a day. The president and family feel a just satisfaction and pride in the present condition.

Saturday night was given the Music Recital which an overflowing house showed their appreciation of by rapt attention, punctuated with applause. This department has always been a specialty with Hillman College and its reputation is enhanced by exhibitions like these.

Bro. W. E. Ellis did our souls good on Sunday morning as he preached on "The School of Christ" and magnified the cause of the Lord Jesus.

Bro. J. P. Hemby preached at night on the "Expanding Kingdom" and made the Master's servants long to press the work till all men should know and honor His name.

Monday was commencement day when six young ladies received their diplomas. One of these was in Piano Music, that of Miss Anna Ward Aven, of Clinton, who has made a name for herself of which her friends are justly proud. The others were Misses Hemby, Caraway, Jones, Cogdell and Ashford who read essays that showed they were trained in the art. These are all good Baptists and if they do not make the world better many of us will be greatly disappointed.

Monday night the young people had a good time at the reception, and the older ones too, at the Annual Reception. The house and campus and hearts were overflowing. For the work of the year that has closed all feel grateful.

P. I. LIPSEY.

CANTON, CHINA, April 5, 1904.

MY DEAR BRO. BAILEY:

Owing to our quarterly mission meeting the first of this month and other work, I am a little late in writing my quarterly report. The first work in January was given to writing our annual report, and closing our Theological school. I am sorry to say that some six of the students have not been able to come back from the Kwong-sai province, owing to the petty rebellion that is going on in that province. There are only twelve in the school at present.

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Some of these will make good workers.

A new Baptist church, the Hing-Wa, was organized here in Canton on January 23, with some thirty odd members. These were mainly lettered off by the Wai-oi-pat-yeuk church in the city. Bro. Fung Chaek is pastor of the church. The old church has called Bro. Yeung Hoi-fung and he has been ordained pastor. He has for many years been head teacher in the Academy. He is a good man and universally loved and respected by our people. He will be very acceptable to Dr. Graves, as he was for some time his teacher and writer in his translation work. He has just recently taken the prize for the best tract, "A Comparison of Christianity and the Religions of Chinese. Bro. Yeung is taking hold of the pastoral work well.

The Chinese New Year has broken into the regular work of the quarter and we are just now getting well started in the work for the year. Twenty-four have been baptized in Canton. I have not heard from Shiu-hing and Tsung-fa, my two other churches since New Year. We are praying for more reinforcements so that these fields can be looked after more than they are now. I have preached twenty one times and taken part in two or three prayer-meetings each week. I took part in the opening services of the Wesleyan chapel and hospital at Fat-shan, twelve miles from Canton. This is a large city of half a million population and two churches there, Wesleyan and English Congregationalist. I wish we had a Baptist church there.

Please pray for us and our work.

I am, yours truly,

E. Z. SIMMONS.

From Rome, Italy.

At the recent meeting of the World's Sunday School Convention, in Jerusalem, twenty-six countries were represented and fifty-three denominations. There were present 141 pastors, 158 superintendents, 335 teachers, and 25 missionaries. These figures were gotten from the enrollment of one session, which showed 1,362 people present. Many people did not fill out cards. The total mileage given was 12,083,000—enough to take one man around the world 483 times. Toronto, Canada, led in nominations for the next meeting. Nearly every available place on earth was voted for, except Jericho. One card stated "any place but Jericho."

The convention was world-wide in its sweep. The program consisted of reports and discussion of the Sunday School work in the various fields, thus making the missionaries prominent as speakers. The Sunday school as a factor in the missionaries' work and success was conceded by all.

America and England reported the most aggressive work, of course. The report from India was especially inspiring, showing good schools, with 15,000 teachers and 350,000 scholars; a system of publication which requires 35 editors, and produces the lessons in 20 different districts. India has one-fifth the human race—three-hundred million; only one and one-half million of these are Christians. A full report of the convention can be gotten from W. N. Hartshorn, 120 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.

Special meetings were held with workers for discussion of plans and methods of class work. The Palestine Sunday School Association was organized, consisting, of course, of the missionaries and Christian workers in Palestine. At a session of the Sunday School Congress held in Rome on Sunday, May 1, the following was stated by Rev. M. L. Walker, Baptist missionary of England to Florence, Italy.

"About a year ago, some young Catholic Priests secured permission of the Pope to publish a translation which they had made of the Gospels and The Acts. These young Priests are above the average priest in education and were led to study the Bible for its educational value. They noted the advancement of Bible-reading nations and were forced to the conclusion that Italy needed the help that comes from the Book. Their translation is excellent, and is in modern Italian, about like our Twentieth Century New Testament. In order to get the people to read it, (The Bible,) those Priests succeeded in getting from the Pope, promise of 300 indulgences for each half hour of Bible reading. The Translation can be bought unbound for 5 cents per copy; bound, for 10 cents per copy.

The missionaries look on this, as a God-given opportunity to get the Bible into the Italian hands, homes, and hearts. \$5.00 will buy 100 copies."

The above facts were electrifying! This was in an "overflow meeting," only about 150 people present; they gave \$253.00 on the spot, to be used in buying these Translations.

How much will you invest?

L. P. LEAVELL,
Field Sec.

Rome, Italy, May 4, 1904.

Request.

All those who expect to attend the inter-denominational State Sunday School Convention, which meets in Yazoo City June 20, are requested to send their names as early as possible to Dr. A. B. Kelly. A cordial welcome awaits all who may come.

Truly,
W. J. DERRICK.
Yazoo City, May 23, 1904.

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Loving Tribute to Mrs. T. T. Martin.
Just as the last sweet smile of sunset was gracing the eventide of May 2, the Bridegroom's glorious presence illuminated the death chamber where passed from earth to heaven the pure spirit of Mrs. Bessie Bowen Martin, of Van Alstyne, Texas.

Three years ago she became the bride and helpmeet of Rev. T. T. Martin, with whom she came to Lexington, Miss., on April 16th to assist in his labors of love for the uplifting and guidance of the unsaved of our community. Just as his powerful presentation of God's Word was beginning to fix the choice of the people, she was suddenly stricken with disease and so God's plan unfolded day by day the clouds rested with deeper significance upon our hopes. All that thoughtful love could suggest was done in gathering around the bedside those whom she most loved, as well as the trusted family physician, and as their appreciated ministries were given she constantly prayed heaven's benedictions upon their tender care. God needs his witnesses everywhere.

We knew her only a few short days but during that brief period learned much of her patient unselfish life, especially her deep consecration and "passion for souls." Amid suffering she would suppress the cry of pain that she might offer a prayer for the success of the service in which her husband was engaged.

In youth she had learned life's truest lessons in that perfection of character so beautifully attained in Christian womanhood—in unwavering fidelity to her God. A woman of rare personal charms, and many accomplishments she was greatly admired and sought for by those of prominent worldly station, but she chose instead the humble servant of God as her life companion, and as she accompanied him in his evangelistic work no one can even tell how much his success depended upon her wise counsel and aid. "Though young in years that life is long which answers life's great ends."

We know that God directs all the steps of the good, and we thank Him that He chose for her the path which brought her within our city gates, and meteor like has left the inspiration of her beautiful death to turn our thoughts from the gloom of the grave to the bright glories of the heavenly home. When conscious that her hours on earth were numbered she called for each dear one, and gave them admonitions of love for future guidance, especially to the crown jewel of her life, whom she dedicated to God in the prayer that he might become a minister of His word.

Kind friends, and physicians, she begged to meet her in heaven, leaving too a benediction upon the town of Lexington for the gracious reception of the stranger.

Oh friends, we need more such visitors of crystal like purity in our midst to give us new thoughts and aspirations, new lives made bright by divine revealings, that "the chalice of age may be filled with wine." That life which has no heaven in it, with only worldly hopes and joys lacks

the elements of noblest grandeur and that grace and help of God which comes softly to us that our virtues may grow stronger and fairer as we utter the words, "What wilt Thou have me do?" We feel that the stricken heart of the husband will find some sunny spot as he turns the sad picture, and shall see how all God's plans are right, and what now seems reproof was love most true.

As she loved intensely the true and the beautiful, all things beautiful and true will ever speak to him of her—each strain of music will recall the sacred influence of song as she drew nearer and nearer the "mystical stream;" even the beauty and fragrance of flowers will be as a "breath of her presence," for she is not utterly gone but just away, leaving him the comfort of victory won, and an imperishable influence for good.

A FRIEND.

Lexington.

The Tobacco Problem.

Is there any authority, medical or otherwise, to bear out the assertion made by the vast army of temperance people the world over, that the use of tobacco, besides being the direct cause of death in numerous instances, is a serious drawback to the highest development of manly character—which, of course, is found in true Christian manhood?

Some can readily respond to this question in the affirmative giving enough facts to relieve all doubts of the most incredulous; but with tenacity the tobacco consumer clings to his dearly bought luxury, a bitter enemy in disguise, and with a triumphant smile and loyalty to "the weed," his "cultivated taste" rebels, and about convinced he's "of the same opinion still!" "What to think for a moment of signing a tobacco pledge—to give up the greatest comfort I have!" Alas! that he can't—before too late—see the dregs at the cup's bottom, to be drunk, eventually, by himself, alone!

Will their own experience, and that of others, never teach people the harm in tobacco? Yes. Impetuosity and prayers will cause more and more to yield—to assert their will power—to allow their manly character to arise up most, at whatever sacrifice, and, with humanity loving interest, after winning the victory over self, how lovely, if each one of these—as he looks down from his height so nobly reached, with sympathetic pity for those struggling below—will aid, by lending a helping hand, that others, not so strong, may be led to a purer atmosphere!

With many wishes for the success of

THE BAPTIST, yours fraternally,

W. W. WHITFIELD.

Biblical Law.

I am neither a philosopher nor a lawyer, but there are some subjects that I crave more light on. If an honest confession is good for the soul, I must confess that I have had no little bewilderment in trying to analyze and understand the import and majesty of the term Law so often referred to in the Scriptures. In my confusion, therefore, I write the view of drawing out others who have a deeper insight into the mysteries of Biblical law.

The first five books of the Old Testament is known as the Law of Moses—the "Torah"—It is called Moses' law because God gave it to the Jews by Moses—"For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ"—John 1:17.

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In most cases, therefore, where the term law is used, and preceded by the definite article, the law of Moses is meant. In other places law as a principle, is meant: as, "the law of the Spirit of life in Christ" in Romans—"They are a law unto themselves." The context must determine the sense in which the term is used.

For Convenience—as others have done—we may divide the law of Moses into primary and secondary laws, the primary laws being those laws written on tables of stone by the finger of God, and the secondary laws such as God gave to be observed by the Jews in a judicial and ceremonial sense. Hence the law of Moses—the first five books—is made up of *moral* and *ceremonial* laws, the moral answering to primary or constitutional laws, and the ceremonial to secondary or statutory laws. Or we might say, the law of Moses has a moral element and bearing, and a ceremonial element and bearing.

1. The moral element. The moral law did not begin with Moses. It had its origin in the creation of man. It is, therefore, a natural law emanating from God the Creator and moral Rules of man. The moral law was edited and incorporated into Moses' law, he would not have sinned. "For until the law"—Moses—"sin was in the world; but sin is not imputed where there is no law"—Rom. 5:13. There was the Edinian law, and this law rested on the moral relation between God and Adam. From the first, the moral law was written on the heart and conscience of man.

The moral element of the law of Moses, is a *race* law. It applies to Jews and Gentiles alike. The ceremonial element of that law is distinctively Jewish. We read in Romans 8:1—"There is, therefore, no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus." Reference is had here to legal condemnation. What law? Surely the moral law since the race is not under the condemnation of the ceremonial law. Believers are not redeemed from the curse of ceremonial law, but from the curse of the moral law. Christ was born under the moral and died under it to honor and satisfy it in its claims against sinners. The bloody sacrifices of Moses' law did not avail for infractions of moral law, but for sins of a judicial and ceremonial nature. The blood of bulls and goats was never intended to take away moral evil. It cleansed only ceremonially. The blood of Christ cleanses morally—Heb. 10:4—"For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins." What then is their blood for? Heb. 9:13—;It sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh." The blood of Christ then belongs under the moral law, while the blood of bulls and goats belongs under ceremonial law. The blood of Christ was shed for moral ends, while the blood of animals was shed for ritualistic ends.

S. W. S.

Too Small to Divide.

The bright-faced little lad who had applied for the position of office boy stood anxiously waiting while the proprietor pondered. The latter surveyed the young applicant with a gaze half humorous, half doubtful; he had had much experience, and

was not very hopeful of really valuable service.

"I wonder whether you expect to engage as a whole boy or half a boy—half a boy, most likely," he said, musingly. The gray eyes in the freckled face flashed inquiringly wide, and he explained. "Oh, I don't mean to question your having the requisite number of arms and legs; your body is all right; it is your mind I am talking about—your thoughts, wits, memory. I suppose you have a host of schemes and employments of your own that will be a great deal more important than any here. You are interested in ball games and—

"Oh!" the boy suddenly comprehended, and drew himself up like a soldier on duty. "Yes, sir, I like ball first-rate; but when I'm here, I'll be all here, and when I'm through here, I'll be all there. I'll play for all I'm worth both places, but I ain't big enough to divide."

He gained his place, and he is true to his word, but his opinion of himself is one that might well be widely adopted. Few of us are "big enough to divide" in the sense of giving only half our mind to the duty in hand.—Forward.

What Steel is Made Of.

The raw materials of manufacture in making pig iron consist of iron ore, coke, and limestone, in the proportions of 2 pounds of ore to 1 pound of coke and 1-3 of a pound of limestone. In the manufacture of the steel from which rails are rolled, there are two fundamental processes; first, the reduction of the ore in the blast furnace; and then the conversion of the molten iron into steel in the converter. The description of the blast furnace is the same for all the subsequent branches of the steel industry; for blast furnace practice is broadly the same today in every furnace throughout the country. Each furnace (there are eleven in all at the Edgar Thomson Works) consists of a huge steel shell varying from 75 to 90 feet in height. It has its diameter at about a quarter of its height, and tapers regularly to its smallest diameter at the top platform. The upper portion is known as the "stack," the lower portion as the "bosh," while below this is the "hearth," in which the molten cast iron collects. The bosh, which is just above the tuyeres, is provided with annular hollow bronze castings built into the brickwork, through which a stream of cold water is circulated for the purpose of keeping down the temperature of the brickwork at the hottest part of the furnace. It should be explained that the whole interior of the steel shell is lined with about three feet of brickwork.—From the *Scientific American's* Special Number on Iron and Steel.

Ingersoll once triumphantly asked in a speech: "What has Christianity ever done? What has it ever done?" An answer came back, quick as a flash of lightning: "It has kept Bob Ingersoll from being Governor of Illinois." The religion of Jesus Christ should have credit for what it has prevented as well as for what it has actually done.—The Landmark Baptist.

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Convention Notes.

\$247,629.61 for foreign missions.

\$12,042.78 is what our women's societies did for Home and Foreign Missions.

2,076 is the number of baptisms on the Foreign Fields last year.

Eleven new missionaries said good-bye to us at Nashville.

Dr. Graves has been in China 49 years, and is going back again, when most men would be looking for a quiet retreat in which to depart.

Hon. E. W. Stephens, if he lives, will be the next president of the Convention; and it will be well worth going to Kansas City to see him preside—he knows how to do it.

Dr. Broughton has long hair, bony fingers and withal a cadaverous face; but what a power he is before an audience. They don't sleep on him, nor he on them.

There was a new light from Texas too, late in the Convention, in the person of the brilliant young McDaniel from Dallas. He will bear watching in the future.

The young country brother now pastor of a large city church, who tried to jolly the Convention by telling how a "mink" had to climb a tree to get a way from the dogs ought not even need "Uncle Remus" to tell him it was a "rabbit"—mother-wit ought to teach him that much.

The brother who goes on for thirty minutes, after he gets through, should learn to quit before he starts next time.

The reporter who sits around with scissors in his hand waiting for the dailies to come out, before he makes up his report, need not be surprised when his constituency reads the report of the Convention first in another paper.

It was amusing beyond description to see how quiet some of the "clergy" became as soon as T. B. Ray announced that he was going to read the "assignments for tomorrow's pulpits"—those that had their ponderous thoughts stored away in their grips at their rooms.

J. R. SAMPLE.

Notes From the Delta.

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Mississippi had a modest delegation. McComb's was the only voice heard, from the State, in the Convention, and he was Chairman of a Committee and had to read his report.

The "Official Route" party went into Nashville 77 strong. The "visiting" we did along the way, going and coming, was of itself worth all the trip cost. The largest joke of the season—though was when the big, fat brother from—ran all the way from the Union depot in Memphis to the Illinois Central station, a dis-

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year. Some new names and renewals rewarded the visit.

A True friend entertained ye tramp, and Bro. True gave him to understand that when the train reached the Union depot it stopped and all got aboard. He said he would have taken a street car but they did not go fast enough.

Summit.

Bro. T. C. Schilling, pastor of the church at Summit, began a meeting on the first Sunday, May, which closed last night, 11, inst.

The chief object in this, on the part of the pastor, was to get in touch with the people, that he may know and be known better, for the good of the Master's cause, he being comparatively a stranger to the church and community when he accepted the pastorate at this place.

He has preached from once to twice each day, and made about forty visits to families in their homes. No more faithful preaching has ever been done by any one here. Evidences of approval and appreciation seemed to be the rule among Christians of all names, as well as those who are not professors of Christ. The simplicity and clearness which characterized all of his discourses was the most attractive feature. He presented and supported the doctrines as held by Baptists in a manner that was peculiarly attractive and forcible. His deliverances upon the doctrine of salvation by grace alone were unanswerable, the deep calmness and unwavering attention of the congregation evinced the fact that the people were more attentive to what was being said than to him who was saying it.

The impressions made, I trust will be everlasting.

Manifest results of his labors: One for baptism, one by letter, and a large place in the hearts of an appreciative people.

May he live to reap that which he has sown.

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Greenwood. Pastor Burr was not seen. Don't know whether he went to the Convention or not. Rev. J. R. Hughes was the host, and a pleasant night was spent. As at Yazoo City, so here the fellowship of the saints was looked after.

Sumner. Bishop Mize was away. His people believe in the best, and since the pastor is helped much by coming in contact with the great Convention, he was ordered to go, and he went. Every church would do well to send her pastor, every

O. M. LUCAS.

From Texas.

I enclose P. O. order for \$2.00; please move up my figures with THE BAPTIST.

Also change my address from Kereis, Texas, to West, Texas, as I go there next week to take charge of the work.

My work here has been wonderfully blessed of the Lord. I have been on this field nearly two years. I found confusion and strife, but I leave it in harmony.

Have had a net increase in members of about 65. Our contributions have increased about 100 per cent. We have gone from two Sundays to full time. The field to which I go, is a larger one with proportionate responsibilities. I want to

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speak now, for you to visit us in November, and attend one of our Conventions, and preach for my church on Sunday. I will be but 18 miles from Waco—the probable place of our Convention.

P'Pool is taking hold of his work at Athens, with his characteristic zeal.

Hamlett takes up Gambrell's work at Tyler. All the Mississippi boys are doing well. I enjoy THE BAPTIST more and more. God bless you in your great work.

Yours in Him,

CHAS. A. LOVELESS.

Gulf Coast Association.

This body met on the 20th day of May at Gulfport in its 27th session. Dr. J. B. Searcy, of Biloxi, was re-elected moderator and Dr. J. M. Reese, clerk, and treasurer. Three churches, McHenry, Woolmarket and Westonia, were upon petition, received into this body, which consists of fourteen churches, all of which but one were represented at this meeting. Once the churches at New Orleans and Mobile held their membership in this body for awhile, but it has all along been small, and many difficulties have stood in the way, but this session is the largest for many years and the spirit and outlook are the most hopeful for many years. The associational sermon was preached by the appointee, Dr. J. B. Searcy, from Acts 1:6, 7. The sermon was full of thought, enthusiasm, and moving power.

Dr. W. H. Boone, general missionary of the General Association, brought greetings from that body and asked for \$40.00 with which to finish a house of worship at Vancleave. Most of the amount was raised in a few minutes. In the discussion of woman's work, among other good things that were said, Dr. Searcy said, playfully: "It might be well to organize in our churches gentlemen's Aid Societies."

Other subjects usually discussed in bodies like this received attention.

After rounding up one of its very best sessions the body adjourned to meet one year hence with the Baptist church at Pascagoula, formerly Scranton. Some of the ministers remained over and preached Sunday. A few years ago the property of the Baptists on the Coast was about \$5,000; now it is easily \$50,000. The cause on the Coast was perhaps never so hopeful.

A Word From the Orphanage.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY:

You may say to our friends that we are enjoying the blessing, convenience and safety of our electric lights. We all at the Orphanage tender a vote of thanks to the good sisters of West Jackson who took the lead, and the friends who helped in procuring them for us. They are to be paid for out of funds collected for that special purpose, so that our regular receipts have not been interfered with.

We have moved the three buildings, namely, the Cabin, the Moore House and the Burford Cottage to their new site, as directed by the Board. Our boys and Miss Minnie Roberts, their matron, have moved into the Burford Cottage, and we are

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about ready to begin arranging the Moore Cottage for school purposes. We are profoundly grateful to our friends for their liberal help and words of encouragement. May the good Master make us worthy servants in this noble cause.

J. R. CARTER.

Notice.

I wish to say to the brethren of the Mississippi Delta that we have a rare treat, as a prohibition lecturer, in the person of Bro. J. A. Maples, of Greenville, Tex.

He is now in the Delta and is anxious to serve you. My people, on last evening, listened to him for more than one hour and a half, with great interest.

I believe that he is capable of doing us more good for prohibition than any one I know. I heard more than one man say this morning, who contributed one dollar each, that, if he would come to Shelby again that they had another one for him. If you wish his services be prompt and address him at Cleveland, Miss., in care of Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett.

His lectures are free, but accepts of a free will offering at the close.

Fraternally,

A. B. HILL.

Shelby, Miss.

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On Tuesday night the 26th of April, Bro. Borum, pastor at Greenville, came and preached to us ten days. His preaching was simple, plain, practical and earnest. God was with him and he was blessed. Eight souls were added to the church, seven of these were for baptism. The church has been greatly revived and we feel that much good has been done. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Sincerely,

L. F. GREGORY.

Mrs. Mattie Marion, wife of Bro. J. D. Marion and a member of the First Baptist Church, died at her home in this city Monday, 23rd inst., after a long and severe illness. She was a good woman and will be sadly missed.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Mamie Lott to Rev. J. W. Booth, of Louisiana, at 9 o'clock, on the evening of June 8th, at the residence of the parents of the bride in Jackson. THE BAPTIST wishes for them much happiness and usefulness in this life.

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From Bro. R. S. Gavin.

I have been called to the pastorate of the First Church of Besemer, Ala., and am on the field. This, of course, will necessitate the cancellation of nearly all my dates for meetings. Yet, I am sure the brethren will do this cheerfully. The chance came about in such a way that I cannot doubt the wisdom of it. The brethren had treated me well in Mississippi in the matter of giving me work. Before coming here, all my time to very late in the fall had been engaged and requests are still coming to me. I can't express as fully as I like, my appreciation for these tokens of confidence. And they come from the very best churches in the State—from the "strong" town churches clear up to the good-old-time country church. May the Lord prosper them, every one! As to my new field, Besemer is a thrifty city of perhaps between 15,000 and 25,000 souls. She is very up-to-date, and thinks so much of her achievements that she is not afraid to be recognized as Birmingham's little rival. Our Baptist cause is looking up. It is the finest field I ever saw. With a present membership of about 250 or 300, we have the walls of a splendid brick building completed; a lot set apart for a pastor's home "hard by the synagogue," and will build thereon soon; we have, by actual census, over 400 available Baptists not with us yet. And then there is material of all sorts to work on. The field has its hard and perplexing sides; but I am sticking close to the Lord. I am sure He has put me here, and in Him I shall succeed.

I hate to leave dear old Mississippi; but I shall keep up my connection, in part at least, by holding on to THE BAPTIST. I and several Mississippians here, and they are all splendid folks.

R. S. GAVIN.

Lead Us Not, (Your Clerks) Into Temptation.

Man is weak. Evolution has strengthened some, deteriorated others. For the latter there should be a safeguard. No temptation should be placed before weak characters. They err often through causes over which they have no control.

To the small boy, an orchard overflowing with ripe fruits is a great temptation. To the poacher, the unguarded forests and streams filled with game and fishes are constant allurements. To the clerk, to the youthful customer, to members of the owner's family, the open cash-drawer in the store is ever a strong temptation, and beckons them onward to take that which is not theirs.

So the husbandman has guarded his orchards with fences and dogs, and the landlord has hired game wardens to care for his preserves; and the store-keeper has adopted devices like the cash register to protect his money.

This removes the greatest cause of crime. Theft, embezzlement, suicide and murder all follow temptation.

Allured by the love of money, a weak man may plunge into gambling.

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At first cards, then horse racing, then speculation. His own income, eaten up from losses, suffering for himself and his family staring him in the face, he looks about for means to recomp his losses. He sees the open cash-drawer. He thinks. Only a small sum, reasons, will help him regain his losses. He hesitates. There is temptation. He wavers—he fails.

It is only a small amount, he argues, but again he wagers the money and again he loses. Once more he plunges his hands into that open cash drawer, and deeper he sinks into theft and embezzlement, until expose comes, and then it is prison or a suicide's grave.

And all these through temptation.

Had there been a recording machine to guard the cash in that money-draw, the first theft would not have been committed. Temptation would not have been there.

The money was there, certainly, but the mechanical guard had a record of each penny in its lockers, and the weak person, fearing instant exposure, would never have made the first step on his downward course; his family would have been saved a lasting disgrace; his employers great losses, perhaps bankruptcy and commercial disaster.

Some day this subject will be handled exhaustively from the pulpits of the world. Great preachers will thunder against the pitfalls that are set for the young, and the inexperienced, and among these will be specified the great temptation of the open cash-drawer.

They will insist that instead of these temptations all safeguards should be adopted to remove ever far from the young the opportunity to become dishonest. Few boys and few men are dishonest from choice. They are led into it, either by love of luxury and display, inclination toward vice and shiftlessness, or a desire to gain quickly at the expense of their more honest brothers.

It is to these that temptation sounds deadly.

If they know they can escape detection, they will not hesitate for an instant to help themselves to the money that belongs to their employers.

This calls attention to the story of a boy in a small country town in Ohio. This boy came of good, honest parents. He was employed in a local grocery store. In that store was one of the old-time open cash-drawers; to it the boy had access frequently.

His duties required him at times to make change, receive money, and frequently to pay out small amounts. Everything went along smoothly for a time, but soon the grocer discovered that his profits were dwindling. He knew that his he was doing a fair business. However, with a good margin of profit, the store was making no money. He decided, that some one must be taking money from the cash drawer.

He decided, if possible, to detect the culprit. In that old, open cash-drawer he placed a marked dollar bill and a silver coin likewise marked. Before night the money was missing. The clerks of the

store were called in and searched. On the small boy was found the coin and the dollar bill. The temptation to take that which was not his was too great. He had become a thief.

What followed?

He was haled before a police justice. His mother and father weeping implorably for mercy for him. The employer, while not demanding severe punishment, thought that the boy should be taught a lesson. The judge, somewhat more inclined to mercy, after giving him a severe lecture, paroled him him in the care of his parents.

But this was not the end. The boy had stolen a few dollars, but what had he lost? First, he lost a good position and the confidence of his employer.

Second, he had lost a good reputation. No amount of money that he might steal under any circumstance, in any conceivable period of time, could make up for the latter.

And even in after years this same little pilfering episode followed this young man. One day he was sent to make collection. He lost a portion of the money. No amount of explaining would satisfy his employers. In the investigation that followed, the episode of the two dollars was raked up against him. Again he was discharged for dishonesty. The second time he was not guilty.

How much better would it have been both for the first merchant and the boy had there been a check upon the cash in that grocery store. There would have been no temptation to the lad. He would not have lost his reputation. He would not have been pursued through life by the record of that first downfall. For the merchant, he lost confidence in his clerks and soon between him and his employees there was no common feeling.

It is due to the honest clerk that all protection should be drawn around the money received by him and by his fellow clerks. He should know that when he receives money on his employer's account a proper record is made of it. He should also know that when he paid out money belonging to his employer a like record is made. He should not be placed in a position where, through a temporary lapse of memory, goods could be taken from the store not paid for or charged.

If he changed money for a customer or a casual caller in the store, there should be something to make an instant record of that fact. It is only in this manner that suspicion is taken from employees. Where there are more than one or two or three men in a store, it is very easy for mistakes to occur, wrong change to be given, and other transactions happen that, in the long run, create a loss for the employer. It is the duty of the employer to guard against these errors. It is his duty to keep temptation away from not only his clerks, but the children who from time to time may call at his store, his customers, and even his own family.

It is very easy to abstract a coin or a bill from an open cash-drawer. It is impossible to abstract money from a me-

chanical register without giving warning of that fact. In that alone is temptation removed by the fear of detection.

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Good clerks welcome anything that lightens their labors, that helps them to keep track of the transactions that happen in their particular department, or that promotes a spirit of confidence between employer and employee.

These clerks know how easy it is to be suspected, how often the employer may think that they, through error, or connivance, decrease his profits. They are only too glad to see any improvement that will remove such suspicion.

Whenever there is system in a store you will find neat, happy, bright clerks. They know their work is appreciated; they feel sure that they have their employer's confidence. Confidence, once established, makes their labors light. Lighten the burden placed on an employee and you at once have his good will. The good will of an employee means increased efficiency; increased efficiency means more business; more business means more profits.

Therefore, it would be a just motto to place in every store, where all eyes might see it, that impressive sentence from the Lord's prayer, "Lead us not into temptation."—Ex.

Church Burned.

On the morning of Sunday, April 10th last, the house of worship of Salem Baptist Church, Okibebbe county, was totally destroyed by fire. The good people had just gotten through Sunday School and preparing to leave when one of the little boys, Francis Stiles, looking back discovered the roof in a blaze near the flue.

Being in a section of country where water is especially scarce this year on account of the dry winter, before assistance could be had the building was beyond the power of man to save. This is one of the oldest churches in East Mississippi, being organized in 1835; and prior to 1860 was one of the strongest country churches of the Columbus Association, both financially and numerically. Before the devastating torch and murderous sword of the cruel civil war of the sixties scattered her members and impoverished the generous hearted people of this section, this dear old Salem Church was one of the most liberal contributors to the support of the gospel.

The building just destroyed was an old ante-bellum style of a country church, built in 1851, two stories high; the second story a gallery around three sides, being for the slaves who were in those good old times members of the same churches with their owners. Prior to the civil war, this church often contributed to the benevolent enterprises of the denomination, missions, etc., as much as \$10,000 per annum, paying her pastor for half time \$1,000 to \$1,200. The founders of Salem were such grand noble Christian men as Capt. Jno. E. Stiles, Mr. D. A. Outlaw, Joseph A. Gee, Gabriel Nash, Wm. Walker, A. J. Maxwell, and others long since gone to their rewards; her pastors such standard bear-

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ers of the cross as the sainted T. G. Sellers, Gabriel Nash and others now passed over the river; and our venerable, noble, old Christian brother yet with us, Rev. W. F. Spraggins, H. M. Long, Copeland, et al.

But times have changed, people moved away, while others grown poor from the effects of war and the changed circumstances; and this beloved old landmark became weak numerically and financially.

The saints of Salem have determined by the help of the good Master to rebuild, and while they will not annoy their brethren by begging, any contributions, great or small, will be gratefully received. Brethren, shall this church that has done so well in the past now suffer from the neglect of those whom she has helped so often and cheerfully? Any contributions sent to the present pastor, W. W. Whitfield R. F. D. No. 2 Columbus, Miss., will be forwarded promptly to the treasurer, Mr. John Stiles, Sessums, Miss., or to Bro. Stiles himself, or Mr. D. W. Outlaw, Starkville, Miss.

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Mississippi College Commencement Program.

Friday night, May 27th, 8 p. m.—Contest in Declamation for Preparatory Medal.

Friday night, May 27th, 9 p. m.—Competitive Drill of Rifle and Invincible Companies.

Saturday, 10:30 a. m.—Extemporaneous Reading Contest for the Lackey Memorial Medal.

Saturday, 8 p. m.—Contest in Extemporaneous Debating for the Bennett Medal.

Sunday, 11 a. m.—Commencement Service by Dr. A. T. Robertson, of Louisville, Ky.

Monday, 10:30 a. m.—Contest in Declamation by Freshmen for Freshman Medal.

Monday, 8 p. m.—Contest in Declamation by Sophomores for Hewitt Medal.

Tuesday, 10 a. m.—Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Tuesday, 10:30 a. m.—Junior Oratorical Contest for Trotter Medal.

Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Graduating Exercises, and Contest by Senior Class for the Hailey Medal.

Tuesday, 10 p. m.—Alumni Banquet.

Some Religious Services.

May I write some in our *beloved* BAPTIST this week? I wish to say that on the first Sunday in this month May 1st, I, by request of the Brotherhood went to our little Riverside Church where I have been serving as pastor since May 1902, until December 1903, when I resigned, thinking I would not remain in this part of the country and asked them to call another pastor which they did but for reasons not necessary to make mention of just here they did not agree and results were they were left without a pastor from January 1st, until May 1st, 1904. On my visit with them they called me again for the 1st Sunday in each month. I have promised to do the best I can for them, the Lord being my helper.

We organized a Sunday-school with 58

total, ordered Sunday-school literature and I am informed by the Superintendent that they received it in time for a nice Sunday school service on last Sunday May 8th. Brethren this is a small church, I found it sleeping silently without a Shepherd when I went to it in May 1902. No trace of any record could be found, the C. C. had died the only deacon had gone to Texas and we reorganized on the beginning in order to get a starting point. We had no room to complain with the progress of our last pastorate to turn with them but hope and pray the success to be greater this year than either of the past. Brethren, pray for us, that knowledge may be given the pastor to correctly lead the church aright and that the church may grow in grace and the knowledge of the Lord, and that sinners may be converted from their sins unto righteousness.

At our four mile lake church we are persuaded to believe God is working mightily with us there. On last Lord's day we performed a double marriage ceremony of Mr. Haley to Miss Jorman, and Mr. Jorman to Miss Hodge, after which we went to church held preaching service, had dinner on the ground, after which we engaged in song and prayer service until about 4:30 in the afternoon. Our congregation was large and composed of nice, good people who seemed to enjoy the services.

May the blessings of God continue to rest upon these and we ask the prayers of God's children for our success here. We pray for a glorious revival of God's children and a conversion of sinners this year.

Yours in Christian work,
CHARLIE D. POTTS.

Columbus.

We began our meeting the first Sunday in May, and continued until the second Sunday night. Bro. E. B. Miller, of West Point, did the preaching and did it well. He seemed to be at his best. There were fourteen accessions to the church, eleven by letter and three by experience and baptism. Two have joined by letter since. In the last four weeks there have been twenty-nine accessions and there are more to follow. We now have seventy-eight members. We are encouraged. May the Lord bless Bro. Miller in his work wherever he goes.

A. T. CAMP.

I pray you with all earnestness to prove, and know within your hearts, that all things lovely and righteous are possible for those who believe in their possibility, and who determine that for their part they will make every day's work contribute to them. Let every dawn of morning be to you as its close. Then let every one of these short lives leave its short record of some kindly things done for others, some goodly strength or knowledge gained for yourselves.—John Ruskin.

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Resume of the Convention.

It was one of the largest Conventions in years. This is probably due to several things—the general prosperity of the country, the increased interest in the work, and the central location of Nashville.

It was most beautifully harmonious in its deliberations. There was scarcely a negative vote on anything of importance that came up for discussion. The resolutions from Virginia and North Carolina were calculated to bring out the fireworks; but Dr. Barton's motion referring the whole matter to a committee, took the wind out of their sails, so fast that only a few of the champions of the resolution appeared even in the committee room, we are told, and no two of them could agree on what was proposed there.

The "Gospel Tabernacle," built especially for such meetings, several years ago, when Sam Jones was cutting such swath through the country, of itself was almost an ideal place for such a meeting. It is large, amphitheatrical, with gallery, good acoustic properties, and had very large platform. This platform gave unnecessary trouble all through the Convention. It was intended only for the officers, the press reporters and a voluntary choir. But placing most of the tables behind the speakers, the reporters could with great difficulty hear what was going on. One would have thought that the long experience of Dr. Burrows would have suggested to him the wisdom of taking out two or three rows of the front pews, and placing the tables in front of the speakers, so as the reporters could hear. The reporters are a necessity; they carry the Convention to the millions at home and far away, who never would hear of it, but for the reporters. Then they had no telegraph station in the building, which is so necessary to the pressmen, in getting off their reports to the dailies.

The business of the Convention was in the hands of new men almost altogether—one reason why it was so good. New

blood is good. Even Dr. Gambrell cut his annual eulogy on the coming glories of the great Texas empire shorter than usual. New committees made the reports, the motions and the speeches. Nearly all the old Convention goers were present, and sat close up, ready in case something was about to go wrong, but content to let new men do the work, so long as they did it well. This was as it should be. There is poor judgment displayed when the minutes of any of our conventions, from year to year, show that the same men did the same work—especially in as large gatherings as the Southern Baptist Convention and our State Convention. Some good brethren are called upon so often to speak, that an old Convention reporter can write a full report of what they say before they say it—and it will make all the connections, and good reading, too.

There was a great shaking of the dry bones, when the committee on nominations reached the Home Board—new blood, not young blood necessarily, was injected into the old body so furiously that some of those who sat and looked on almost held their breath! Watch the Home Board now and see how she moves out into the field of action! A man can stay in a position so long until he thinks he is there by divine appointment, for life, and will get ugly towards you, if you think of putting someone else into the work.

There were five great speeches made during the meetings—Broughton, Robertson, Geistweit before the B. Y. P. U. meetings, and Gray and McDaniel before the Convention; but the greatest of these was the speech by Gray. It was an epoch maker for the Home Board.

There were at least four "mountain-top" experiences—when Geistweit closed his address on "The Inner Life," when the Seminary closed its great collection, when Gray concluded his great speech on the work of the Home Mission Board, and when Dr. Willingham left us above the clouds, shaking hands in that wonderful missionary meeting Monday afternoon.

The crowning glory of the whole meeting was the sermon by Geo. W. Truett, at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning on "Heaven." It can never be forgotten so long as memory lasts—it made a "new heaven."

Notes and Comments.

Bro. E. S. P. Pool's work in Athens, Texas, seems to be starting off well. He has a meeting on now.

The correspondents of Rev. J. C. Farrar will note the fact that his postoffice has been changed from Ashley to Venus.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to be present on June the 8th at the marriage of Mr. Renshaw Thomas and Miss Mattie Faulconer, in the Baptist church, Ebenezer. We wish the young couple the greatest measure of happiness and usefulness.

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Read what Bro. W. W. Whitfield says in another column; and, if you can do so, you will make no mistake in helping to rebuild the Salem church.

Dr. Geo. B. Eager will deliver the address before the graduating class at Blue Mountain, June 2nd. The Carrie Hearn Hurt Memorial Building will be dedicated on June 1st.

Bro. Maples, who Bro. Hill informs us is in another place in the Delta delivering prohibition lectures, is one of the best on the subject we have heard. It will pay the people to give him a large hearing.

Rev. J. A. Lee, one of the authors of "Lasting Hymns" will attend the Mississippi Baptist Convention at Hattiesburg in July. He could give a month preceding this meeting to evangelistic work in our State. If pastors are in need of such help, they may arrange with Bro. Lee, by writing him at Glencoe, Ky.

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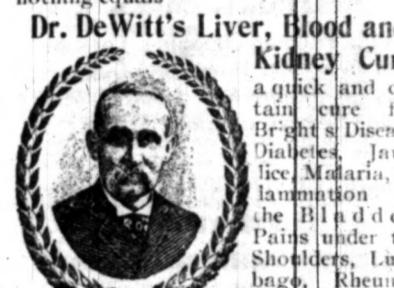
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The local Committee, of which W. A. Carpenter of St. Louis Board of Education, is chairman, advises that ample provision has been made to accommodate, either in hotel or private houses, all who may attend, and that detailed information can be obtained by addressing him.

The Queen & Crescent Route has an

account Confederate Veterans Reunion, \$8.60 from Jackson. Tickets sold June 10th to 15th inclusive, final limit returning June 18th, with possible extension until July 10th.

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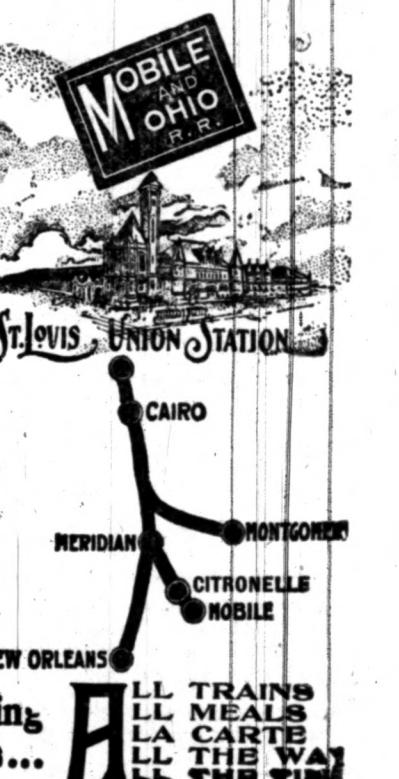
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Program.

May, 1904.

Subject—"Africa and Japan."

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1. Scripture—A Contrast. "Behold your God," Amos 9:11; Psalm 115:4-8. This would make more effective if an idol could be shown.

2. Prayer for those in Heaven—hands, remembering especially our missionaries in Africa and Japan.

3. A Japanese Message. Write it on paper about five inches wide, two yards long. Select material for "message" from leaflet, "Our Workers and Our Work in Japan," by Dr. E. E. Bonar. When it is all written, begin at the end and roll it up. In reading, the roll should not be unwrapped any faster than read.

4. Hymn, "Before Jehovah's awful Throne." This was sung at divine service held on board Commodore Perry's flagship when his fleet anchored in Japan waters Sunday, July 19, 1852.

5. Nuggets from Africa by different members. To be found in leaflet, "Our Work in Africa," by Rev. C. E. Smith.

6. Worth Reviewing—Great statesman born in Africa—Moses. Three great men who gave their lives for Africa and died on their knees—Schmidt, Krafft, and Livingstone. Name of a missionary who said, "If I had a thousand lives, Africa should have them all."—MacKenzie, Greatest person ever in Africa—Jesus.

7. Roll Call. Responded to by verse of Scripture, or bright anecdotes about famous missionaries in Africa.

8. Minutes of last Meeting after business.

9. Read Circular regarding "Young Banker's Friend, Money Box" What

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10. Narrative Leaflet: "The Woman Who Gave Herself."

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Sixteenth Anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the S. B. Convention.

McKinney Methodist Church had been very beautifully decorated by the Baptist ladies of Nashville in honor of the coming of their Southern sisters in their great annual gathering.

The following missionaries were introduced:—Miss Hansen, working in Indian Territory under the Home Board—Mrs. R. B. Graves, of China, Miss Julia McKenzie, Miss Lois Baker, and Miss Julia Meadows.

A greeting was read from Miss Branham, of Florida, who is sick. After the singing of a hymn and a prayer, the reports of the speakers on the rostrum stood behind masses of palms, purple iris, and mountain azaleas, the flowers being in harmony with the purple badges worn by the delegates. Mrs. J. A. Barker, of Virginia, president of the Union, introduced Mrs. J. E. De Vaughn as the leader of the devotional exercises. "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" was sung, the 19th Psalm read, with censments, and then the delegates were asked to spend a moment in silent prayer, after which, a representative from each State led in a brief prayer, and the devotions were closed by singing "Stand up for Jesus."

Mr. Welch who has charge of the Home Field, made an earnest speech. Mrs. W. R. Woods, of Mississippi, was asked to conduct the collection for the day with the result that about

\$700 was raised for the erection of a chapel in Cuba.

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opening religious exercises were conducted by Mrs. W. L. Williams of Texas, Mrs. John A. Barker of Virginia, President, presided. Beautiful music was a feature of the session, and was led by Miss Ellen Rion, who also gave a solo, "Evermore." Miss Frank Hollowell was pianist, and Misses Lucie Van Valkenburg and Anna Knox gave the violin obligatos.

Minutes of the morning meeting were read by the Recording Secretary, Miss M. B. Wright.

Mrs. J. S. Blingham, President of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Presbyterian Church, was presented to the convention, and gave a cordial greeting to the delegates.

An open conference in regard to mission work among young people and children proved one of the most interesting features on the programme, the best methods of interesting young people in the work and of securing the most desirable mission literature, being the topics especially discussed.

Among the speakers were Mrs. Laura D. Eakin of Chattanooga, leader of the "Young South," a remarkably successful juvenile society, Mrs. W. S. Leake of Virginia, Mrs. A. J. Orme of Georgia, Mrs. Wm. S. Lowndes of Maryland, Mrs. E. C. Watson, of South Carolina and Miss Spalding of Florida, who told of a plan which had proved exceptionally successful in interesting young people in mission work. Each member of the band assumes the name of some missionary and at each meeting impersonates this worker, and gives an account of his or her recent labors.

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WOMAN'S WORK.

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PLEA FOR MISSIONS.

Dr. R. J. Willingham of Richmond, Virginia, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Board, made an earnest plea for foreign mission enterprise. He thanked the women missionary workers for their efforts in the past, for their work in increasing the number of subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal. He spoke impressively on the Christian experience of that woman in the Scriptures, who waited at the tomb of Christ, taking for his theme, "A Woman Working; a Woman Waiting; a Woman Weeping; a Woman Worshiping." He outlined the plan for supporting Chinese students in the mission schools and told of the starting of the work in the Argentine Republic, announcing that it would also be begun shortly in Persia.

Mrs. R. H. Graves, recently returned from the foreign fields, told of the recent Baptist denomination in China.

After announcements the meeting adjourned, in order to give the delegates an opportunity to attend the tea at the Baptist Publication House, which was elaborately and artistically decorated. Nearly 1,000 guests were in attendance, who were served a refreshing lemon frappe, and who were also given an opportunity to inspect the attractive new quarters of the Publication Board.

The Friday morning session of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, began at 10:30 o'clock this morning, and the exercises, as at the previous session, were characterized by that consecrated spirit and earnest Christian effort which has made the exercises spiritually uplifting, as well as of

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An interested audience assembled at McKendree Church, as well as the large representation of delegates who occupied the State sections. The stage decorations of purple flags, carrying out the color of the union, and palms, were very attractive.

Mrs. John A. Barker, of Virginia, president, and other officials, occupied the platform, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. W. S. Leake of Virginia. Following the Scripture reading, "How Firm a Foundation" was sung, with Miss Christine Priest as leader and Miss Frank Hollowell at the piano. After the reading of records, letters of greeting from missionaries were read by Mrs. J. L. Love of Louisiana, and accepted by the conference.

An important feature on the programme was the discussion of "Problems and Methods in Mission Work." Miss Elizabeth Garrott of Kentucky, who is the leader of a successful country mission society, gave valuable suggestions on the topic, "How to Keep Alive Mission Societies in Country Churches." She emphasized the importance of a society having good leaders and told of the excellent work which can be accomplished by even a small society in a remote district when properly officered and under the divine guidance.

Other topics considered were: What are the benefits, if any, of women's meetings held during the District Association meetings?

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VOTE OF THANKS.

A vote of thanks to Mrs. Wm. C. Lowndes, retiring Treasurer, with a beautiful mention of her valuable services to the union, was passed, Mrs. Lowndes having declined a re-election to the office she has so faithfully filled for so many years. After a closing prayer by Miss Broadus of Louisville, the meeting adjourned until the afternoon session, after which the delegates will attend the 5 o'clock tea at the Baptist Church on North Spruce street, which is arranged that the members of the Missionary Union may have an opportunity to know what the colored women are doing, and give them what help they can. An invitation was also received from R. H. Boyd, Secretary of the National Baptist Publishing Board, colored, to visit its plant on North Market street, which is owned and operated exclusively by negroes.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS.

Mrs. J. L. Burnham of Kansas City, made the report of the Nominating Committee of which she is Chairman, as follows: President, Mrs. John A. Barker, of Virginia; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Annie W. Armstrong, of Baltimore, Md. Recording Secretaries, Miss Nellie Martin, of Baltimore, Md.; Miss M. E. Wright of Augusta, Ga.; Treasurer, Miss E. Ricker of Baltimore, Md. Local committee in Baltimore, is as follows: Miss Alice Armstrong and C. Woolford, Mesdames W. C. Lowndes, H. Grady, L. L. Laws, J. E. Tyler, W. R. Nimmo, J. W. Miller, and A. C. Johnson.

These officers were elected. Mrs. W. S. Spaulding of Texas casting the vote for the delegates, and the enthusiastic greeting of these officials and the spirit of Christian fellowship prevailing gave a beautiful aspect to convention. The delegates stood to greet the officers with waving of handkerchiefs, and the officials who have so faithfully served the organization in the past received felicitations on their work, which, with Divine help has done so much for the Master. Mrs. Barker made a brief and earnest talk.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

The following ladies for Vice-Presidents representing the various States and Territories were elected:

Mrs. D. M. Malone, East Lake, Ala.; Mrs. E. Langly, Litt's Rock, Ark.; Mrs. C. F. Winbiger, District Columbia; Mrs. W. D. Chipley, Pensacola, Fla.; Mrs. J. D. Easterlin, Marietta, Ga.; Mrs. C. T. Carter, Indiana Territory; Miss Broadus, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. C. Ammen, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. J. H. Eager, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. J. C. Hackett, Meridian, Miss.; Mrs.

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very sensible and practical address, advocating the elevation of the homes and womanhood of the negro race, and closer attention to industrial education. Mrs. Layten's home is in Philadelphia.

The Secretary, Miss Armstrong, commended the colored work, the launching of which she witnessed, and announced a meeting Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the Colored Baptist Church on North Spruce street, which is arranged that the members of the Missionary Union may have an opportunity to know what the colored women are doing, and give them what help they can. An invitation was also received from R. H. Boyd, Secretary of the National Baptist Publishing Board, colored, to visit its plant on North Market street, which is owned and operated exclusively by negroes.

The chair appointed on this committee Miss Annie W. Armstrong, Chairman; Mesdames J. B. Gambrell, W. D. Chipley, A. J. Orme, J. D. Chapman and W. L. Dillon, and the Chairman called it to meet at 9 o'clock this morning in the Maxwell House parlors.

PLAN OF WORK.

The report of the Plan of Work Committee was made by Miss Spaulding. Among its important items were provisions for limiting in future conventions the time of the speeches of address, and welcome to three minutes; for printing in the annual programmes the objects for which collections will be taken in order that State officers be advised of these objects and amounts long enough before the conventions to instruct the delegates as to what amounts to pledge. Sections of the report referring to the preparation of literature in leaflet form for young people and the issuing of a calendar of daily prayer for missions caused considerable discussion and were referred to a special committee to be appointed by the President, which will report at the Convention of 1905. The report officially indorsed the effort of the convention to assist the colored people and pledged them assistance.

The reading of the minutes of the afternoon session and the roll call closed the meeting, Mrs. Bailey offering the final prayer.

LARGE GIFT.

Miss Annie W. Armstrong reported a very large gift to the union made by an unknown donor, who desired to be known as a "Christian worker." She gives the sum of \$10,000 for a home for the children of returned missionaries, asking that \$6,700 of the money be used to purchase the property, \$1,000 to \$1,500 to put it in through repair and in sanitary condition and the remainder for furnishings and that the Baptist women of the South take charge of it. As a model Assembly Hall was decorated with palms, bay trees, and wild

that one at Newton, Mass., be considered.

The announcement was received with enthusiasm, as only one other woman has ever made the union so large a contribution, and she gave \$11,000 on the annuity plan to the three boards. Foreign, Home and Sunday-school.

Mrs. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, offered a motion that the gift be gratefully received and that a committee be appointed to report on plans for the same at the final session of the union on Sunday afternoon.

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